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[Telegram.]

NOME, ALASKA, *July 2,*
via Port Townsend, Wash., July 11, 1900.

Twenty cases smallpox to date. Measures taken to isolate and care for all cases, but facilities are poor. Need medical officers to charge.

JARVIS,
Acting Special Agent.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *July 11, 1900.*

Take first available steamer either from San Francisco or Seattle for Cape Nome. Confer with Lieutenant Jarvis, Revenue Cutter Service, acting special agent of Treasury Department, who has established a quarantine. Arrange with him and with General Randall for maintaining maritime quarantine. If there is any trouble, act under advice of Lieutenant Jarvis. Before going, confer with Kinyoun as to quantity sulphur and bichloride, and number of dutch ovens or pots for fumigation, order same and ship speediest practicable route, transmitting bills here. Have sent 1,000 vaccine points to Captain Roberts, cutter *Manning*, at Nome. Will mail 5,000 vaccinations unless you can purchase good virus in San Francisco, in which case purchase and take with you. If possible, extend shore aid to the extent of vaccinations. If more help absolutely required, confer with Jarvis. Keep correct account of expenditures and bills. Call on Surgeons Gassaway and Kinyoun for necessary blanks and stationery. Wire Bureau any further needs and when you go. With approval Secretary of the Treasury.

WYMAN.

Assistant Surgeon EARLE,
Marine Hospital, San Francisco, Cal.

Plague in San Francisco.

[Continued from PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS, No. 27, pages 1691-1695.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., *July 7, 1900.*

Southern Pacific representatives here request certificates be given to Chinamen arriving on steamers at San Francisco destined for Texas and Mexico, in order to meet requirements of Texas and Mexican quarantines. These quarantines are not maintained by any advice or order of the Government and certificates are simply to prevent stopping of transportation over Southern Pacific lines. Suggest you see Judge Morrow, that there may be no misunderstanding about it, and, if not in any way objected to by the court, you are authorized to issue certificates accordingly.

WYMAN.

KINYOUN, *San Francisco, Cal.*

[Reports to the Surgeon-General United States Marine-Hospital Service.]

Reports from the Mexican border.

Laredo, Tex., July 1, 1900.—I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended June 30, 1900: Persons inspected and passed on Mexican National Railroad, 413; Mexican immigrants inspected and passed, 27; Italian immigrants inspected and passed, 7; immigrants